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 $\P 1$. On September 9, we received a diplomatic note from the MFA requesting support of Mario Viquez Jimenez, the GOCR's candidate for the Inter-American Children's Institute, during elections to be held October 15-16. Relevant text follows.

12. BEGIN unofficial translation of diplomatic note:

"The MFA has the honor to inform the Embassy that Costa Rica has decided to present Mario Viquez Jimenez as candidate for President of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Children's Institute for 2008-2010, in elections to be held October 15-16, 2008, in Ottawa, Canada, during the Institute's 83rd Meeting...The GOCR seeks the support of the U.S. for this candidacy.'

END TEXT.

13. Please advise of any response that Post should transmit to the MFA. CIANCHETTE